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CLAIM (S):

I claim:

1. A mountaineer's cot comprised of the following elements:

at least two cot legs; and

a cot cloth;

wherein said elements allow for the interconnection of tools already carried by the backpacker and mountaineer and used for other purposes to form a lightweight cot.

- 2. The mountaineer's cot of claim 1 wherein the number of legs is six.
- The mountaineer's cot of claim 2 wherein said cot cloth has the dimensions of 2 feet by 6 feet.
- 4. A lightweight mountaineer's cot comprised of :

at least 4 legs;

a cot cloth;

a cot frame adapted for field assembly from a combination of mountaineering tools.

5. The mountaineer's cot of claim 4 wherein said mountaineering tools are selected from the set of mountaineering tools consisting of an ice ax, telescoping ski poles and internal frame pack mainstays.

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This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings of claims in the

application:

Listing of Claims

Claim 1 (cancelled)

CLAIM (S):

I Claim:

A lightweight backpackers/mountaineers cot comprising a cot nylon fabric with siderail

sleeves six cot legs; the two center legs being constructed to receive an ice ax as the

center stay and four end legs constructed to receive the trekking poles as end stays of

the cot. The siderails telescoping in nature are adapted from the internal frame

backpack stays.

The siderails adjusted in length after removal from the internal frame backpack slid into

the sidesleevs of the cot fabric. The siderails then are locked into the cot legs at the

designated siderail receiver holes. The trekking poles are then adjusted from the

trekking position length to the length that is appropriate for the end stays of the cot. The

trekking poles are then fitted to the point of cot function. The ice ax is then fitted to the

center legs and tightened to the proper tension and locked into place with the center leg

ice ax shaft tightening screw. The six legs are specific for the reception of the particular

end and center stay. There are two end legs that are designed to receive the point of

the trekking pole and two legs designed to receive the handle of the trekking poles.

There is one center leg designed to receive the point of the ice ax and one center leg

designed to receive the shaft of the ice ax. The center legs are also designed with a

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swivel bolt attached to the siderail receiver that allows the inclination of the cot to be

adjusted by the user from lying to sitting position. In addition, there is an ice ax extender

the allows the user to extend the length of their ice ax to the appropriate size in order to

properly fit the cot for use. The ice ax extender has a locking screw that will lock the

extender to the ice ax for cot use.

Claim 2 (New): A mountaineer's cot comprised of the following elements:

at least two cot legs; and

a cot cloth;

wherein said elements allow for the interconnection of tools already carried by the backpacker and mountaineer and used for other purposes to form a lightweight cot.

Claim 3 (New): The mountaineer's cot of claim 1 wherein the number of legs is six...

Claim 4 (New): The mountaineer's cot of claim 2 wherein said cloth has the dimensions of 2 feet by 6 feet.

Claim 5 (New): A lightweight mountaineer's cot comprised of:

at least 4 legs;

a cot cloth;

a cot frame adapted for field assembly from a combination of mountaineering

tools

Claim 6 (New): The mountaineer's cot of claim 4 wherein said mountaineering tools are selected from the set of mountaineering tolls consisting of an ice ax, telescoping ski poles and internal frame pack mainstays.

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